



WYOMING CROP PROGRESS

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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING OCTOBER 9, 2016

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: Wyoming experienced cooler than normal temperatures for the week, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Twenty-seven out of the 34 reporting stations reported below average temperatures for the week with the high temperature of 83 degrees recorded at LaGrange and Torrington, and a low of 18 degrees at Big Piney. Above normal moisture was received at 19 of the reporting stations. Three of the stations reported no moisture with Worland reporting the most moisture with 2.22 inches. The third cutting of alfalfa was 86 percent complete. Corn harvested for silage was 94 percent complete, corn harvested for grain was 6 percent complete, winter wheat emerged was 82 percent complete, and dry bean harvest was 87 percent complete. A reporter from South East Wyoming reported sugarbeets are being harvested as the plant allows deliveries, corn silage is almost complete and corn for grain harvest has begun. Another reporter from South East Wyoming indicated that conditions remain dry in the northern part of the county and winter wheat stands are poor. A reporter from South West Wyoming indicated warm daytime temperatures, good moisture early in the week, irrigated fields are staying green with no hard frost yet. A reporter from Western Wyoming indicated some snow in the high country, rains in the lower elevations and cool temperatures at night. A reporter from North Central Wyoming indicated some rains, even some snow with lots of wind. They also reported that calf shipping weights are down from last year. Another reporter from North Central Wyoming indicated that previous heavy rains have kept farmers from harvesting. They also report that some livestock producers are having to leave the summer range early and are worried about next year as the range is in poor condition due to excessive heat and drying winds. Stock water supplies across Wyoming were rated 9 percent very short, 23 percent short, 62 percent adequate, and 6 percent surplus.

CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS

Commodity	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alfalfa hay				
Third cutting	86	69	55	66
Corn				
Mature	82	58	56	75
Harvested	6	--	1	11
Corn for Silage				
Harvested	94	90	95	90
Dry edible beans				
Cut	94	92	95	89
Harvested	87	68	81	70
Sugarbeets				
Harvested	24	19	21	29
Winter wheat				
Emerged	82	57	58	73

NA – not available
(--) – zero

DAYS SUITABLE FOR FIELDWORK AND SOIL MOISTURE CONDITION

Commodity	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
Days suitable for fieldwork	6.1	6.0	6.6	NA
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short	17	16	5	14
Short	26	27	40	27
Adequate	43	43	55	56
Surplus	14	14	--	3
Subsoil moisture				
Very short	13	14	7	14
Short	37	37	38	33
Adequate	43	43	55	53
Surplus	7	6	--	--

NA – not available
(--) – zero

CROP, LIVESTOCK, PASTURE AND RANGE CONDITION				
	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Corn				
Very poor	--	--	--	3
Poor.....	4	4	--	6
Fair.....	15	13	11	19
Good	78	81	78	65
Excellent	3	2	11	7
Pasture and Range				
Very poor	13	13	--	14
Poor.....	15	14	5	14
Fair.....	30	31	28	24
Good	38	38	58	40
Excellent	4	4	7	8
Sugarbeets				
Very poor	--	--	--	--
Poor.....	--	--	--	--
Fair.....	13	14	6	17
Good	86	86	72	63
Excellent	1	--	22	20
Winter wheat				
Very poor	--	NA	1	1
Poor.....	5	NA	3	6
Fair.....	35	NA	25	19
Good	59	NA	71	67
Excellent	1	NA	--	7
Irrigation water supply				
Very poor	2	2	4	NA
Poor.....	10	13	5	NA
Fair.....	37	33	28	NA
Good	38	39	44	NA
Excellent	13	13	19	NA
Livestock				
Very poor	--	--	--	NA
Poor.....	3	3	--	NA
Fair.....	18	17	4	NA
Good	71	71	77	NA
Excellent	8	9	19	NA

NA – not available

(--) – zero

Wyoming’s weather data can be accessed at the following:

http://www.nass.usda.gov/Statistics_by_State/Wyoming/Publications/Crop_Progress_&_Condition/2016/WY_Weather_10092016.pdf